(2) whether the Leper Asylum buildings cannot be converted into a hostel for students and if so how many students can be conveniently housed in them and what will be the approximate cost of conversion ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(1) 212 rooms.
212 students.
(2) Yes, but they are better suited for the staff.
140 students.
The cost of converting the buildings into hostels and repairing them would b about Rs. 8,000.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will not the Leper Asylem buildings existing there now be sufficient to accommodate all the staff of the Maharajas' College ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—In the original scheme which I submitted I thought that they could be with certain modifications used for accommodating the Assistant Professors.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Does the 35 thousand rupees provided for quarters for ten Professors in Appendix II take into consideration the value of these buildings?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—For the 20 Assistant Professors we thought we would also utilise the present buildings. This is the amount necessary after those buildings are utilised for that purpose.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will this 35 thousand rupees also be necessary?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Yes. That is for Professors.

Play-grounds for Educational Institutions.

74. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they or the Director of Public Instruction know the number and allocations of the fields for cricket, football, and hockey attached to all the Colleges in India; if so, will they be pleased to place a statement on the table about them ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—No information.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—In the light of the answer given to the question, will the Government be pleased to tell me whether the statement in the Government Proceedings that no college in India has a separate field for cricket, hockey and football is correct?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The present answer is the correct one. It would appear that he has not got any statistics about it.

Mr. I. N. Menon.—There is a slight slip in the Proceedings, an error clearly clerical. It was not stated in the report that I have no claims. My knowledge certainly is limited.

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Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—That makes a world of difference, Sir.

Mr. I. N. Menon.—It does, Sir. But the difference is not in the letter or in the proceedings but it is a clerical error in printing.

Orders of the Report on the College Extension Committee.

75. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to answer the following:—

(1) in the Diwan's Proceedings C. No. 758/06, dated 17th June 1931, in para 4, it is stated that "the Government saw the force of some of these arguments," will they be pleased to say which of these arguments seemed forcible to them;

(2) with reference to para 4 of the above D. P., will the Government be pleased to explain with instances what precisely they mean by the 'extravagant demands' made by the Professors;

(3) does the Maharaja's College exist for Ernakulam or for the whole State.

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(1) (a) That it was unwise to undertake any costly scheme of higher education having regard to the financial commitments of the State.

(b) That a model College of Arts Education was not for the time being a necessity.

(2) Full explanation will be found in the following extracts from the report of the College Council:—

"In view of the out of the way and sequestered character of the place selected by Government for the location of the College, viz., Anappara which is a sort of virgin forest, about 3 or 4 miles distant from Trichur, it becomes necessary for Government to establish an educational colony, rather than a mere college at the place. In consequence, the requirements not only of an educational institution will have to be provided there but also those of a colony. Residential quarters will have to be provided for the entire body of students and for the entire staff, comprising not only of the teaching staff but the clerical and menial staffs as well. Further, such accessories not merely educational in character—as a Guest House, a Co-operative Credit Society, a Co-operative stores, a Hospital or Dispensary, a Post and Telegraph Office and perhaps, a Police Station—will also have to be provided for there. That considerations like these, however, *extravagant* or even grotesque they may seem at present will have to be borne in mind in the planning of the new educational colony."

(3) For the whole State.

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